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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF

CERTIFIED MAIL

RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Clayton Chemical Site

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EPA Region 5 Records Ctr.



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RE: RRG/Clayton Chemical Site [1 Mobile Avenue, Sauget, Illinois]
General Notice of Potential Liability letter.

Dear Sir or Madam:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) has documented the release or threatened release of hazardous substances, pollutants and contaminants at the above referenced Site, and is planning to spend public funds to control and investigate these releases. This action will be taken by U.S. EPA pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, 42 U.S.C. 9601 et seq., (CERCLA) as amended by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986, Pub. L. No. 99-499, stat. 1613 (1986) (SARA), unless U.S. EPA determines that such action will be done properly by a responsible party. Responsible parties under CERCLA include the current and former owners and operators, and persons who generated the hazardous substances or were involved in transport, treatment, or disposal of them at the Site. Under Section 107(a) of CERCLA, where the Agency uses public funds to achieve the cleanup of the hazardous substances, responsible parties are liable for all costs associated with the removal or remedial action and all other necessary costs incurred in cleaning up the Site, including investigation, planning and enforcement.

The U.S. EPA is currently planning to conduct the following actions at the above referenced Site:

1. Develop and implement a site health and safety plan;
2. Provide security for the site;
3. Sample, characterize, and consolidate for removal and disposal, all liquid and solid wastes from tanks, drums, and small

containers pits and sumps;

4. Sample, characterize, and consolidate for removal and disposal all contaminated soils;

5. Transport and dispose of all characterized hazardous substances, pollutants, wastes, or contaminants at a RCRA approved disposal facility in accordance with the U.S. EPA Off-Site Rule, 40 CFR 300.440.

U.S. EPA has received information that you may be a potentially responsible party (PRP) at this Site. By this letter, U.S. EPA notifies you of your potential liability with regard to this matter and encourages you, as a potentially responsible party, to reimburse U.S. EPA for costs incurred to date and to voluntarily perform or finance the response activities that U.S. EPA has determined or will determine are required at the Site.

U.S. EPA met with the owner/operator of this site on November 28, 2001 and with some PRPs on December 11, 2001 to discuss their potential liability.

U.S. EPA will hold another meeting at the East St. Louis Public Library, 1st Floor conference room, 5300 State Street, East St. Louis, IL, on Thursday, March 28, 2002, between 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 a.m. You are invited to attend this meeting to discuss your potential liability for this site. (PRPs attending this meeting are encouraged to come at 9:00 a.m. but may arrive at any time during the above mentioned hours).

As a potentially responsible party, you should notify U.S. EPA in writing within five (5) days after the March 28, 2002 meeting to discuss clean up of the Site, regarding your willingness to perform or finance the activities described above. If U.S. EPA does not receive a timely response, U.S. EPA will assume that you or your organization does not wish to negotiate a resolution of its potential responsibility in connection with the Site and that you or your organization has declined any involvement in performing the response activities.

Your letter should indicate the appropriate name, address, and telephone number for further contact with you. If you are already involved in discussions with state or local authorities, engaged in voluntary cleanup action or involved in a lawsuit regarding this Site, you should continue such activities as you see fit. This letter is not intended to advise you or direct you to restrict or discontinue any such activities; however, you are advised to report the status of those discussions or actions in your response to this letter and to provide a copy of your response to any other parties involved in those discussions or actions. Your response should be sent to:

Tom Turner
Associate Regional Counsel
U.S. EPA - Region V
Office of Regional Counsel (C-14J)
77 W. Jackson Boulevard
Chicago, Illinois 60604

If you need further information regarding this letter, you may contact Tom Turner of the Office of Regional Counsel at, (312) 886-6613.

Due to the nature of the problem at this site and the attendant legal ramifications, U.S. EPA strongly encourages you to submit a written response within the time frame specified herein. We hope you will give this matter your immediate attention.

Sincerely,



for Richard Karl, Chief
Emergency Response Branch

Attachment: List of PRPs receiving this General Notice Letter.

**Clayton Chemical Site
List of PRPs Receiving General Notice Letter**

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